

**System and Method for Binding and Unbinding Ticket  
Items with User-Negotiated Security Features**

5    **ABSTRACT**

10        A customer wants to transfer an electronic ticket that  
includes customer security features to another person, he  
requests that the merchant unbind the security features from the  
ticket identifier. The merchant verifies the identity of the  
customer based on a digital certificate or other customer  
15        identifier. If the customer is allowed to transfer the ticket,  
the merchant unbinds the ticket identifier from the security  
features. The customer can then transfer the ticket to a second  
ticket holder. If the second ticket holder presents the ticket  
20        to the merchant for admission, the merchant determines that the  
ticket identifier is unbound and admits the ticket holder. To  
enhance security in case of loss or theft of the electronic  
ticket, the second ticket holder can request that the merchant  
rebind the ticket to security features corresponding to the  
second ticket holder.